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Mr. William F. Caton
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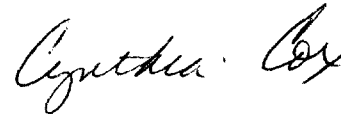
Re: CC Docket Nos. 96-45/97-21

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Dear Mr. Caton:

Attached is a letter to Chairman Hundt nominating Mr. Richard Teel from BellSouth to a seat on the Board of the Universal Service Administrative Company per the Public Notice (DA 97-1561) issued on August 1, 1997. Please make this letter part of the record in the above-captioned proceeding.

Sincerely,



Cynthia K. Cox

Attachment

cc: Chairman Hundt

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August 15, 1997

The Honorable Reed Hundt
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
Room 814
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Mr. Chairman:

BellSouth Corporation, SBC Communications Inc., GTE, and US West, Inc., are pleased to nominate J. Richard Teel to a seat on the Board of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC). Mr. Teel's twenty-three years of experience in the telecommunications industry and his position, as Vice President - Regulatory and External Affairs for BellSouth Telecommunications, makes him eminently qualified to serve as a USAC Director.

Mr. Teel began his career in 1974 as an attorney with South Central Bell Telephone Company. From 1977 to 1980, Mr. Teel was a member of AT&T's legal department. In 1980, Mr. Teel returned to South Central Bell's Legal Department. In 1984, he was appointed General Counsel for BellSouth's telephone equipment company. Mr. Teel was appointed General Counsel, BellSouth Services, Inc. on October 1, 1985. He was elected an Officer of BellSouth in January 1988. Mr. Teel accepted his present position in 1991.

Over the course of his career, Mr. Teel has worked extensively with both state and Federal regulators. He has had overall responsibility for BellSouth's pricing, costing, separations, and tariff preparation. In his current position, Mr. Teel has overall responsibility for developing state and Federal regulatory policy and planning for BellSouth's telephone operations.

In addition to this nomination, the undersigned companies further recommend the subsequent adoption of a new Rotational Plan for the Bell Operating Company ("BOC") and GTE directorship. The Rotational Plan should include the five Regional Bell holding companies and GTE.

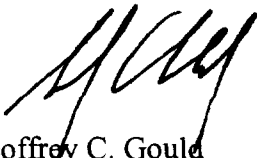
Sincerely,

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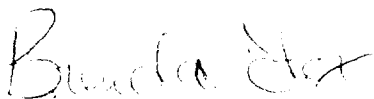
Robert T. Blau
Vice President - Executive and Federal Regulatory Affairs
BellSouth Corporation

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Dale (Zeke) Robertson
Senior Vice President - FCC
SBC Communications Inc.

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Geoffrey C. Gould
Vice President - Government and Federal Regulatory Affairs
GTE

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Brenda Fox
Vice President - Government Relations
US West, Inc.

J. Richard Teel
Vice President - Regulatory & External Affairs
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.
Atlanta, Georgia

- **Over 23 years experience in the telephone industry**
- **Currently responsible for developing state and federal regulatory policy and planning for BellSouth's telephone operations**
- **Over 17 years experience as a regulatory attorney in a telephone company state office, a regional Bell headquarters operation and AT&T headquarters in New York**
- **Works extensively with both State and Federal regulators and industry groups. Former member of the RBOC Contingent Liability Oversight Committee and the BellCore Regulatory Governance Committee. Member of the Planning Committee of the Southeastern Corporate Law Institute**
- **Many years experience in traditional state ratemaking proceedings as well as overall responsibility for developing BellSouth's Price Regulation Plans. Experience also includes overall responsibility for BellSouth pricing, costing, separations, tariff preparation and filing, and independent company settlements**

**J. Richard Teel
Vice President - Regulatory & External Affairs
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.
Atlanta, Georgia**

J. Richard Teel is Vice President - Regulatory & External Affairs for BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. located in Atlanta, Georgia.

A native of Talladega, Alabama, Richard received his Bachelor of Science degree in 1971 from the University of Alabama and a Doctorate of Jurisprudence in 1974, also from the University of Alabama.

In 1974 Richard began his career as an attorney with the Bell system at South Central Bell. In 1977 he moved to New York as an attorney with AT&T working on the interconnection proceedings at the FCC. In 1980 he returned to South Central Bell as a regulatory attorney responsible for rate proceedings in Kentucky and Alabama.

In September, 1984 he was appointed General Counsel for BellSouth's telephone equipment company and was appointed General Counsel, BellSouth Services, Inc. on October 1, 1985.

Richard was elected an Officer in BellSouth on January 1, 1988 and he accepted his present position on September 1, 1991.

Richard holds memberships with the Birmingham Bar Association, the Alabama Bar Association, the American Bar Association and the New York Bar Association.

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